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INCORPORATION OF MICROSATELLITE SEQUENCES
INTO THE PLANT GENOME

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In accordance with his duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicant would like to direct the Examiner's attention to the following references which are listed below and on Forms PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B (which are attached hereto as **Exhibit A**), and each individual reference further attached as **Exhibits 1** through **9**.

1. Morgante M et al., "PCR-amplified microsatellites as markers in plant genetics", The Plant Journal (1993), Vol. 3(1), 175-182, XP000608178 (**Exhibit 1**)
2. Leroy Xavier J et al., "Plant genomic instability detected by microsatellite-primers", EJB Electronic Journal of Biotechnology, (2000), Vol. 3(2), 1-9, XP000608178 (**Exhibit 2**)

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5. Wilson R., "Genome sequence of the nematode C. elegans: a platform for investigating biology. The C. elegans Sequencing Consortium", Database Embl Online, 16 October 2000, XP002291391 (**Exhibit 5**)
6. Wilson R.K., "The sequence of Mus musculus clone", Database Embl Online, 6 June 2002, XP002291392 (**Exhibit 6**)
7. D'Halluin et al., "Transgenic Maize Plants by Tissue Electroporation", The Plant Cell, (1992), Vol. 4, 1495-1505 (**Exhibit 7**)
8. Zhu et al., "The Identification and Characterization of Plant Genes", International Publication No. WO 03/000905 A3, January 3, 2003 (**Exhibit 8**)
9. Nicolaides et al., "A Method for Generating Hypermutable Plants", International Publication No. WO 01/61012 A1, August 23, 2001 (**Exhibit 9**)

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing the prosecution of the subject application, Applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided below. If any additional fee is required,

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